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## SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

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S. 1, Special Branch

Date February 28, 10 40.

Joseph alias KOROTH - communication from "Y" dated

February 22,

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Anatole Joseph Corot, Russian Jew registered at the offices of the Russian Emigrants' Committee, Shanghai, was born in Irkutsk on September 7, 1910. He received his education at Liege University, Belgium, from whence he graduated in economic science.

In 1932 Corot left Europe and came to Shanghai where he was successful in obtaining a clerical position with S.E. Levy & Company. Investment Bankers and Brokers. He remained in Shanghai until 1937 when in company with R.O. KOPELMAN, he was sent as representative of his firm to Singapore where, it is stated, he is still resident.

While there is nothing detrimental concerning A.J. Corot in Police records, there is, however, certain data concerning his father, Joseph R. KOROTH, who, while in Shanghai, is suspected of having been employed as a political agent by the Soviet Government. Koroth is now living in Harbin. having absconded from Shanghai in 1939 in order to escape his creditors to whom he owed a considerable amount of money.

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I should be grateful for any information available concerning ANATCLE COROT, son of J.E. COROT, who was employed for six years - 1932 to 1937 - by S.E. LEVY & Company.

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#### NOTICE

Messrs. F. S. Elias and E. L. Elias retired as General Partners of this firm as of June 30, 1939.

Mr. W. N. Wells-Henderson retired as a General Partner as of February 28, 1939.

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#### NOTICE

Messrs. H. Aufwerber and N. M. Concoff have been admitted as Special Partners in this firm as of July 1, 1939.

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REPORT

Subject S.E. Levy & Co. - Enquiry from British Consulate-General

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The firm of S.E. Levy & Co., 113 Kiukiang Road, investment bankers and brokers in securities and commodities, was established under that name in July, 1933; prior to this the concern was known as V. Gensburger & Co.

This Company for the greater part composed of Jews, is of good financial standing and enjoy an excellent reputation both here and in financial circles elsewhere. Correspondents of S.E. Levy & Co. are stationed in New York, London, Manila, Hongkong and other big cities.

In recent years it has been the policy of the Company to expand and it is in this connection that it is proposed to send representatives to Singapore. The agents chosen, Mr. A.J. Corot alias Koreth and Mr. R.O. Kopelman, are both Russian Jews. The former is the son of Mr. J.R. Koroth, a suspected

Soviet agent, but against Mr. Corot himself nothing detrimental is known.

Mr. R.O. Kopelman is a man of good character who was born in Shanghai and educated at Clifton College, England; nothing is known to his detriment.

With regard to S.E. Levy & Co.'s standing in Police estimation it may be said that this firm has never appeared in an unfavourable light.

D. C. (Special Branch)

Shanghai Municipal Police Headquarters.

Date 13th July 1937

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Sir:

S.E.Levy & Co., brokers II3 Kiukiang Road wish to open an agency in Signapore and for that purpose are sending two Russian representatives thereto. The British Authorities (Consul-Beneral Singapore) request any information we may possess as to the firm's standing in Police estimation.

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